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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re the Application of

Yuichiro OGAWA et al.

Group Art Unit: 1722

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ETHOD FOR EXTRUDING TIRE RUBBER MATERIAL

LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired <u>January 28, 2002</u>, an extension of time for a period of <u>two</u> months is hereby requested. Attached hereto is our Check No. <u>128636</u> in the amount of \$400.00 in payment for:

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